

# Open Access Policy

## Open Access Policy for the University of Ottawa Library

Recognizing that:

- open access accelerates knowledge creation by increasing the visibility of research results,
- publicly funded research should be available freely and openly,
- awareness and advocacy in the university community are best achieved through example,

and in keeping with the broader open access movement, the University of Ottawa Library adopts this policy to ensure that our scholarship is widely disseminated, openly available, and accessible.

### Policy Statement

Staff at the University of Ottawa Library will make the best possible effort to publish in open access venues that provide unrestricted public access to our works. At a minimum, we will secure the right to self-archive our published materials, and will deposit these works in an open access repository, with a preference for uO Research.

We grant the University of Ottawa the non-exclusive right to make our scholarly publications accessible through uO Research subject to copyright restrictions.

### Guidelines

As of the date of its adoption, this policy applies to all academic and scholarly work produced by staff at the University of Ottawa Library such as, but not limited to:

- Scholarly and professional articles
- Books / book chapters
- Presentations and posters given at professional conferences and meetings
- Substantive pedagogical materials such as online tutorials
- Datasets, whenever possible

Retrospective deposit is encouraged.

Co-authored works should be included with the permission of the other author(s).

Works shall be deposited in an appropriate open access repository. Recognizing that uO Research provides a venue to highlight the Library's scholarly output, authors will deposit in uO Research, when appropriate.

Recognizing that some publishers may impose an embargo period, permitted versions of the article will be deposited at the time of publication with appropriate embargo period applied to the full text only. Whenever possible, publication venues that have a maximum 12-month embargo period should be sought.

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This policy is effective as of November 3, 2016 and will be reviewed annually. Amended January 17, 2018.

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